## SOCIETY AND ITS DIVERSIONS

What is Going on Among the Gay in Omaha.

DOINGS OF SOCIAL LEADERS.

A Record of the Enjoyments of the Week-Musings on Matrimony-The Mortons as Entertainers -Social Gossip.

Her Abstinence.

New York World. "Ah, yes," sighed dainty Miss Bon Tor "I must, indeed, abstain thro' Lent, And during all this time refrain From pleasure's practice or intent. I shall not give but Russian teas, Nor dance except the plainest waltz, And as for munching Maillard's sweets, "Well, that shall be my least of faults

"Give up my beaux! Well, let me see! Should Cholly often send me flowers, Sav. Parma violets in hues, Fit for these penitential hours, Oh, then, I wonder, if I will let-Just out of gratitude, you know-Him call on me three times a week,

"I'm bound to fast and help the poor, And for awhile myself forget; Our Lenten regulations are In lovely gilt-edged letters set; Of course, we do not keep them like Some commoners in prayer bent-Here comes my open carriage!-yes, Indeed, I am observing Lent."

Would it be sinful to do so?

Matrimonial Musings. The expense of getting married nowadays, even to a couple in moderate circumstances, is simply terrific. However humble their walk in life, the wedding festivities afford temptations for unstinted extravagance, and unless one has his pocketbook nailed down out of sight, he is likely to emerge from his honeymoon a poorer if not a sadder man.

It often happens that the wedding trip and its attendant expenses so impoverish the groom that the money carefully saved to commence housekeeping with is squandered, and the inconveniences of a boarding house must be substituted for the pleasures of a home.

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Another thing well worth pondering is the fact that it is a tolerably safe rule for a young man never to marry a girl who is blessed with any special gift which tends to bring her into public notice. There is a danger lest she may grow to love her talent more than she does her husband. Besides, it must be an uncomfortable sensation for a fellow to go stalking about with the consciousnes that he is being pointed out as Ella Wheel er's husband or Amelia Rives' bridegroom or Belva Lockwood's trousers, or Lily Lang-try's encumbrance. The knowledge that one's personality is overshadowed by his wife's does not sweeten a man's nature when he finds his breakfast half an hour behindhand on a dark morning. I have two your my mind now, both of whom marrie girls of exceptional musical genius, They are both separated from their gifted wives, whom they considerately allowed to support them with their voices as long as affection lasted; they have loafed so long at home, while their wives sang in public, that now they are utterly worthless for business pursuits; the wives are too infatuated with their music to care for home or children, and all the members of this mismated quartet

Nuptial alliances have in their turn swaved the hearts of our young people who are most actively engrossed in fashion's swirl, and harvested anew the conventional crop of smilax and cast-off slippers, of orange blos-soms garnished with tears. What the future may have in store for all those for-tunate wedded pairs must be left for the histunate wedded pairs must be left for the six torian of the twentieth century to recount. 'I his much may be said, however, that it will his much may be said, however, that it will be widely different from any programme arranged for them in advance. There is another class—the engaged couples other class—the engaged co who have not yet fully em from the ranks of "buds". from the ranks of "buds" and "stags," but of whose early evolution into the matrimonial state official announcement has been given. The list, like the con dition it represents, is short and sweet These happy creatures, it is presumed, are in an ecstatic state of expectant bliss. Let them heed this little episode in the experience of an acquaintance. On his wedding day he was approached by a friend, an old lawyer, who congratulated him upon having got to the end of all his troubles. Tim rolled on, domestic infelicity developed in my friend's household and a separation ensued, which culminated in a divorce. About this time my unhappy acquaintance and his old legal friend met. "See here," demanded the former, after narrating his domestic difficulties, "I thought you told me on my wedding day that I had reached the end of all my troubles." "So I did, sir," retorted the old codger, emphatically, "so I did; but I didn't say which end!"

Ladies in Washington Society. The attention of society people is now turned toward the capital where the recent cabinet and other changes have introduced new personages and new ladies into social prominence and distinction. Mrs. Morton will be Mrs. Whitney's successor in Washington society. She will not excel Mrs Whitney-no one could do that, but she will take her place as fully, perhaps, as it could be taken by anyone. Mrs. Blaine will entertain successfully in her new old mansion. She has changed as much as her husband in eight years, and was never so charming as now. Mrs. Windom will entertain quietly but hospitably as she did before. Mrs. Wanamaker and young Mrs. Wanamaker, who has already many friends there, will keep up the traditions of the Frelinghuysen house, and the wives of the other cabinet officers will doubtless do their share of the social work which falls to them. But for en tertaining on the grand scale and in the splendid style the administration will have to look to the vice president and his wife. who are richer twice over than all the others

Such great wealth is of course indispensa ble. It is valueless in itself, but invaluable when the social qualities go with it. Mrs. Whitney simply did every day and every hour of the day without effort what the rest do once in a while, longer or shorter as do once in a while, longer or shorter as their purse, and with more or less of any cffort, All day and half the night the Whitney's house stood hospitably open to its
friends. It saw guests at every meal and
guests between every meal, a musicale every
other afternoon, a dance every other evening. Everything, at all times, was of the
best at its best and all in perfect taste.

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certainty to please, seemed as happy and as
unconcerned as the youngest of their guests.
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Their tact was as remarkable as their taste, They invited a good many peoble to their house from without the pale of "society." That was one of the many expressions of their kindly liberality. No one of these outsiders was ever allowed to feel otherwise than at home. No one could feel otherwise in the genial atmosphere. They never allowed their entertainments to become monotonous. Each was fresh and all were different to the country of t otonous. Each was fresh and all were differ ent, so that they never lost their zest. Take them all in all and it may be doubted whether you could find a more a brilliant series any-where.

Now Mr. and Mrs. Morton can and will emulate their example successfully. To be sure, when they lived in Washington before in old Sam Hooper's old-fashioned house, where Morton's apartment house stands now, they did not entertain very much, but Morton was only a representative then and very little was expected of them. They showed what they could and would do afterward in Paris, where they entertained as none of our representatives entertained before, and as few of them will do hereafter.

Welcome to the Nightingale. On Thursday eveding Norway's nightingale, Molle. Anna Smith. arrived in Omaha to fill an engagement, and she was tendered a royal reception at the Paxton the same evening. Her triumphs in Europe were well known here and although she came unheraided, the leading citizens of Omaha rec-

ognized her ability and hastened to do her honor. The Second infantry band discoursed some of its sweetest music in the rotunda, and addresses of welcome were delivered by Hon. John M. Thurston and Bishop New-

man.
The distinguished artiste tendered be The distinguished artiste tendered ner thanks in person to the leader of the band, escorted by General Wheaton. The general, who is familiar with her father's high military rank in her native land, did much to enhance the very pleasant and in every way delightful reception.

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Mr. Ellison, to whom is due the credit of inducing the sweet singer to come to Omaha, inducing the sweet singer to come to Omaha, knew her when she was a pupil under Merchelsy, who has developed some of the greatest singers in the world among whom are Nilson, Patti, Albini and Nevada. The madamoiselle is still young, having made her debut at Paris in 1883. She has been received everywhere in the highest social as well as musical circles, both on account of the high military standing of her father and the high military standing of her father and the sweetness and purity of her character. She made her debut in this country on December 2, and her triumphs in Central music hall have never been equalled. The madamoiselle has appeared in opera, but finds it too straining and unappreciated for the work it requires. She therefore prefers

A Farewell Testimony. The ladies of the Second (north) Presbyterian church of Omaha, made the departure of Mrs. Sarah J. Trout, (who has been a very active leader in the work of the church for many years) the occasion on which to testify their esteem and regard for her as a woman and church member, by meeting at the house of Mr. C. A. Westerfield and prethe house of Mr. C. A. Westerfield and presenting her with a costly, antique cak easy chair. The presentation was felicitously made by Mr. John French, after which refreshments were made. Mrs. Tront goes to her new home at Glenwood, Ia., taking the affection and esteem of the congregation of the church and of all who know her. There was present Mrs. Cadet Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Canan, Mr. and Mrs. Hutmaker, Mr. and Mrs. Canan, Mr. and Mrs. Hutmaker, Mr. and Mrs. Maginn, Mr. and Mrs. Laferty, Mr. and Mrs. Trench, Mr. and Mrs. Moffat, Mr. and Mrs. Borden, Mr. and Mrs. Swartzlander, Mr. and Mrs. Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Bailon, Mr. and Mrs. Rooinson, Mr. and Mrs. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Rooinson, Mr. and Mrs. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Pratt. Mr. and Mrs. Ryres, Mr. and Mrs. Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. Woward, Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Baker

West End Euchre Experts. The West End Euchre club, who have no use for lent, met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Lee, on Nineteenth street, on Monday evening last. Three prizes were awarded, Mr. Lockwood taking the first, Mr. J. S. Brady the second and Mrs. Kirkendall the third. Refreshments were served during the evening. There were present Mr and Mrs. J. S. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkendail, Mr. and Mrs. Swobe, Miss Waterman, Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood, Mr. and Mrs. Coe, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Schneider, Miss Kelley, Dr. and Mrs. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Easson, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ames, Messrs. Williams, Will Pease, Hal Pease, J. S. Cameron, Bishop, Bostwick, Nichols and Guiou.

IA Unique Coffee Party. An interesting and unique afternoon coffee was given last Wednesday by Miss Sarah Branders, at her home, to Miss Freedman of Detroit. Miss Cora Bendit took the prize for the largest soap bubble, while Miss Freedman was awarded a souvenir of her ability to retail elephants. The rooms were charmingly decorated for the ceasion Amongst the ladies present were: Misses Clara Schlemyer, Clara Rindskoff, Ida Isaacs, Lizzie Isaacs, Minnie Rothchild, Annie Rothchild, Etta Newman, Tillie Newman, Belle Zunder, Minnie Rosenfeld, Cora Bendit, Cora Goldsmith, Emma Louise, Bettie Galigsohn

Sudden Influx of Friends. Mr. and Mrs. George Meyers were the victims of a pleasant surprise at their residence on North Eighteenth street Wodnesday even ing. Cards were the main pastime of the evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hawes, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. VanArsdale, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Bluffs, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Fonda, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Highsmith

Luncheon at Mrs. Colpetzer's. Mrs. William C. Denney, of Boston, has been well entertained during her stay here. One of the social events in her honor was a lancheon given by Mrs. Frank Colpetzer last Saturday. Covers were laid for twelve there being present Mrs. Denney, Miss Dur-yea, the Misses Hoagland, Mrs. G. M. Hitch-cock, Mrs. Hussey, Miss Clara Brown, Mrs. Lee, Miss Burns, Mrs. Bosche, Mrs. Igo, Mrs. Celpetzer.

Progressive Euchre. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Anderson gave a most delightful progressive euchre party last Wednesday evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. H. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Reiley, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Whitehouse, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kennedy, Mrs. Magrane, Mrs. Pieronet, Mrs. George Laing, Misses Agnes O'Connor, Hattie Whitney, Leon, Laing, Hattie Bell, Kate Sheldon, Mears, Larkin, Maggie Madden, Messrs. Baker, Plumb, Robb, Vinquest, Baxter, Pieronet, Singer, Caldwell, J. C. Laing, W. Laing.

A Silver Wedding. Just a quarter of a century ago Rev. M. L. Holt was married and on Wednesday evening last about sixty of the friends of the minister and his most estimable wife gathered at their home, Thirtieth and California streets, to celebrated the anniversary of the event. A large number of valuable silvery tokens were brought by the visitors as evi-dences of their friendship and good will. Re-freshments were served and the event was nighly enjoyed.

Mr. Wakeley's Birthday. Wednesday was Mr. A. C. Wakeley's thirty fourth birthday, and he celebrated it in proper fashion by giving a dinner to a number of friends. The viands were most appetizing, and the event an auspicious one in every way.

Social Gossip.

Tom Boyd is in Chicago. Miss Jessie Millard is in Rock Island. Mrs. T. J. Foley has returned from St

James Megeath has returned from Cal-Mr. James D. Robinson left for the east Thursday. Mrs. A. B. Hudson has returned from

Mrs. John P. Williams is making a two weeks' visit at Sagmaw, Mich. C. F. Weller and wife left for the east last night via the Burlington. Mr. H. S. Smith and family will pass the next six months in California.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Clarke have returned from their wedding trip south. Mrs. C. A. Ringer and daughter Alma have returned from their eastern trip. The ladies' section give a dance next Sa urday evening at Germania hall. The musical circles of Omaha welcome Mr. Nat. M. Brigham back from Boston.

Henry VIII will engross the attention of the Unity Shakespeare club Friday evening. Miss Mamie Wiley and Mrs. J. B. Myers were called to the bedside of a dying father at Waterloo, In., on Thursday.

After nearly a year's absence in the west Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Swetman have returned to Omaha. The eighth annual commencement of the Omaha Medical college occurs Wednesday evening at Boyd's opera bouse.

The Misses Hoaglaud gave a small six-handed euchre party in honor of Mrs. Will-iam C. Denny, of Hoston, on Tuesday even-Miss Bertha Cohn, who has been spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Alex Adler, of Seventeenth avenue, has returned to her

It will please his many friends to know that Prof. D. W. Warner, of this city, will enter Yale university as candidate for the degree of D. D. and D. C. L. Among the musical features of the

was the organ recital by Mr. W. T. Taber, on Thursday evening. The music was all of a high character and the programme was thorughly enjoyed.

Miss Theresa Geis, who has been visiting in Omaha for the past six months, was suddenly called home to the bedside of a dying sister Wednesday. During her stay here Miss Geis has made many friends in so-The ladies of the Tenth Street M.

church gave a supper Thursday evening at the residence of A. J. Harmon, 814 Pierca. A large number of persons were present, and a most enjoyable time was the result. Prof. Alonzo Williams, of Brown univer sity, is spoken of as a successor to Senator Chace, of Rhode Island. The professor made a number of friends in Omaha last year while he was the guest of Mr. George Crandell, all of whom will be glad to hear of his securing that exalted position.

Plattsmouth Social Gossip. J. B. Strode of Lincoln, is in the city.

T. B. Gordon, of Glenwood, is in town. H. B. Keefer was at Wahoo this week. John Kline has gone to Fort Worth, Tex J. C. Tewksburg of Ashland is in the city. James Fitzgerald has returned from All

John Mumm of Omaha is visiting in th C. D. Jones of Cedar Rapids, Ia., is in the M. Worrissey, the grain dealer of Lincoln s in town.

Lawyer S. F. Rockwell, of Louisville, ha been in the city. D. S. Gallagher went out to Sioux City Calvin R. Hubbell of Holyok, Colo., is visting in the city.

John Ferguson of Center precinct was i lown Wednesday. G. W Covell, of Omaha, was attending court Thursday.

County Commissioner A. B. Todd went to Jesse Root and Matt Zering were in Pacific Junction Wednesday. Miss Lizzie Howe, of Peoria, Ill., is visiting

with Mrs. William Cook.

Fred Murphy of Cedar Creek has been at Al Leans, of Creston, was visiting with Frank Cranmer this week. Dick Oldham after a short visit in the city, has returned to Beaver City.

E. H. Wooly of Weeping Water, has been attending court during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rabb, of Burlington, Joseph A. Connor left for Stanton county Friday morning for a short visit.

County Attorney Gering was in Omahr Monday evening on legal business. Mrs. W. H. Miller and Miss Irene Patter son were visiting in Omaha Wednesday. Charles E. Parmele returned from Ne

Hon. Thomas B. Stephenson of Nebraska City, has been in town during the week. T. L. Murphy, Harry Ritchie and Red 'doing'' Omaha the other day. Robert A. Mitchell has returned from an extended pleasure trip to Colorado and New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bushey took their de parture Tuesday morning for Portland, Ore, at which place they will make their future home. William Neville, of this city, accompanied John Fitzgerald, of Lincoln, to Michigan Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hands, of Lincoln, ar rived Tuesday morning for a brief visit with friends in the city. H. N. Dovey returned Thursday evening Washington, D. C., where he attended the inauguration.

Charles Redberg and wife, Charles Hornstrom and Peter Carlson were visiting at Louisville last Sunday. Robert Backus and family have arrived from Los Angeles, Cal., and will make their

home in this vicinity. Messrs. Don A. Rand, W. A. Rhodea, H. C. Long and Lee Oldham, of Murray, were in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Shepherd, Mrs. Gough and Mrs. W. Crowther made up a party of Omaha visitors Wednesday. Messrs. W. B. Shryock and John Ossen kamp, a committee of the council at Louis-ville, were in town Friday.

Mrs. W. H. Pickens has returned from a visit to Cedar Creek, and is accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Lew Myers. Mrs. R. P. Cartwright and family left Monday evening for Buffalo Gap, Dak., where they will join Mr. Cartwright. Mr. Robert Stagle and Miss Myrtle Hend-

ricks, of Liberty precinct, were joined to gether by Judge Russell last Wednesday. Mrs. A. W. McLaughlin, of Omaha, accompanied by Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Fonda and daughter is visiting friends in this city. Rev. Ph. Gordon and wife, who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Holmes, have gone on a visit at Nebraska

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. White went to Lincoln Wednesday and attended the legislature as the guest of their son, Representative Frank E. White. John W. Cartright visited in this city a

few days before going to Lincoln to com-mence his duties on the editorial staff of the Lincoln Call. Mr. George Luschinski and Miss Barbara Gableman were united in marriage on Wednesday at the residence of the bride's parents by the Rev. F. W. Witte, of the German

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Davis and family arrived Wednesday morning from western Nebraska and will again make their home in this city. Mr. Davis will start a new

Mrs. Lew Pennington and her mother and sister, Mrs. and Miss Etter, H. J. Streight, R. B. Windham, A. Clark, J. V. Weckbach and M. B. Murphy were among the visitors to Omaha on Tuesday.

Mr. O. H. Parmelee and Miss Arvilla Tyson, of Elimwood, were married at the home of the latter's parents last Monday. Banker Parmelee and family with several others from this city attended the ceremony and reception.

Messrs. W. D. Jones, J. D. Richey, A. W. White, Max Lemm and W. H. Baker were out nunting for a few days at the Holloway and Waubonsia lakes. H. H. Van Arnam, of Omaha, and Tom Riddle followed the next

COUNCIL BLUFFS SOCIETY.

Miss Julia Officer is visiting friends in Chicago. Senator and Mrs. T. E. Clark of Clarinda were in the city Thursday.

Mrs. Richard Jacquemin of Weston, Mo., s visiting friends in this city. The Presbyterian ladies gave a pleasant ociable in the church parlors Friday even-

Dr. Lawrence and family have returned from California, where they spent the Miss Ida Powell of Glenwood is the guest of Miss Edith Campbell. She returns home

to-morrow. Mrs. Mabel Wyman has returned to Des Moines after a visit with her parents on C. J. Blanchard, formerly of this city, now of Minneapolis, was in the city Monday

on his way west. Mrs. Otis entertained eight couples of her married friends Tuesday evening at home on Second avenue.

Mrs. Frank Parmalee entertained several lady friends Thursday afternoon at a 4 o'clock tea at her home on Third avenue.

The ladies of Trinity M. E. church gave an enjoyable sociable Friday evening at the residence of L. C. Huff, on Fourth street.

Miss Fannie Walker entertained a number of friends at a card party Friday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Cora Russell, of Glenwood. Mr. C. B. Jacquemin leaves this week for his home at Helena, Mont., after a pro-tracted visit with friends in this city, Kansas

Miss Farnsworth entertained a number of lady friends at luncheon Thursday afternoon at her home on Eighth street, in honor of her guest, Miss Millie House of Omaha. Miss Lottie Henkle of Goshen, Ind., made a short visit the past week with Mrs. J. M. Treynor on First avenue. She was return-ing home from a visit with Denver friends.

General and Mrs. G. M. Dodge, Miss Anna Dodge, and General J. M. Fuller arrived in

the city Thursday in General Dodge's private car, and will remain until the first of the

The engagement of Miss Mattie E. Palmer and Mr. Frank S. Sterling has been formally announced. The young lady is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Palmer.

The ball given Thursday evening by St. Alban's lodge, Knights of Pythias, for the benefit of their library fund, was a very enjoyable affair and was attended by about 100 couples. A delightful programme of twenty-five numbers was danced. Supper was served at Lonie's restaurant.

Mrs. F. H Evans entertained the Kensington club Wednesday afternoon at her home, corner of Sixth avenue and Sixth street. This club is composed of ladies, who meet every week at the home of one of the members to do Keusington work, exchange the usual amount of social chat and dispose of an elaborate spread. It is quite select, and its members look forward to the weekly meetings with considerable anticipat

Convention of the Medicos, On Thursday evening the Medical society of the Missouri valley met in quarterly ses sion in the parlors of the New Orden. Ves terday and last evening it was continued at Masonic Temple hall. This association has a membership of over one hundred physicians of the old school in western Iowa and east ern Nebraska.

Present at the meeting were Drs. Macrae Green, Barstow, White, Stewart, Seybert, Robertson, Hart, Thomas, Houghton and Lacey, of Council Bluffs; Carter, Merriam, Stone, Milroy, Sommers, Moore, Bridges, Jonas, Ross, Harrigan, Daily, Strong, Gibbs, Gilford and Bryant, of Omaha; Knott and Towns, of Sioux City; Hanna and Hyett, of Red Oak; Chapman, of Missouri Valley; Campbell, of Malvern; Cook, of Barlan; Harvey, of Neola; Clark, of Dunlay, and a number of others.

After the transaction of routine business Taursday evening, Dr. W. F. Melroy, o Omaha, read an interesting paper on "A epidemic of typhoid fever in Omaha in 1887. Yesterday morning the society assembled in Masonic hall, and the following pro ramme was gone through with: Intussusception, with a history of a case Dr. W. O. Bridges.

Intussusception, with his case and speci-mens, Dr. Charles Trumbull, Treatment of wry neck by open incision, Dr. J. E. Summers jr. Encystead empyena following pleuro nia (post mortem examination), Dr B. F. Crummer.
Exhibition of a case—old dislocation of the

shoulder-operation, restoration-Dr. A. F Prophylaxis of tuberculosis, Dr. H. G. Gifford. Phanton pregnancy, Dr. R. M. Stone.

The officers of the society are Dr. Macrae, of Council Bluffs, president; Dr. Carter, of Omaha, secretary, and Lacey, of Council Bluffs, treasurer.

The Baptist Concert. The musical and literary entertainment given at Central hall last night for the benefft of the colored Baptist church was all that the manager, Mr. S. H. Dersey, could ask for. Every seat in the auditorium was occupied and the various participants in the programme acquitted themselves well and vere rewarded with their proper meed of applause. The musical selections were all finely rendered, many of the singers having unusually melodious voices. The following programme was presented:

Chorus—"Friendship, Love and Song."
Recitation—"Guitty or Not Guilty"....
Miss Nora Brooks
Quartette—"Harvest Moon"....

Maxwell, Hamitt, Anderson, Essay—"Comparison in Pork"

Dr. W. O. Ricketts
M. H. Quartette—Selected
Recitation
Mr. Douglas
Solo—"The Song that Reached My
Heart"
Mrs. Wilson
Song and Chorus—"Brown Eyes"
Ricketts, Wilson, Rozzelle,
Pryor.
Chorus—"Dancing O'er the Waves"...

Song and Chorus—"I Heard the Voice" Recitation—"Eugene Aaram's Dream" Daett -- Beautiful Moonlight".

Mrs. Pryor and Dorsey.

Quartette—"Blow on Ve Windows

Quartette-"Blow on, Ye Winds"..... Ricketts, Maxwell, Hamitt, Rozzelle,
Millard House Quartette—Selected... 

Dorsey.
Scene from "Lady of the Lake".....
Messrs. Wilson and Richetts.
Chorus—"Good Night, Gentle Folks"..
Mrs. Ricketts, Accompanist.

This was followed by a bountiful supper.

Art in Omaha. The coming exhibition of the Western Art association on May 15, promises to be one of unusual interest, and the various artists of the city are doing their very best with their brushes in the hopes of winning some of the prizes offered. The honor of winning a prize is probably not the only incentive for their exertions, as it is rumored a number of the trophies are to be in gold coin. The prize for the best oil painting is \$25; second best, \$15; third best, \$10; and honorable mention for the next three in rank. In water colors, \$15 for the best; \$10 for the second, two honor able mentions; the same awards in the de

partment of painting on porcelain. In pot-tery and clay modelling, awards of \$5 for the best exhibit, one honorable mention. In the departments of architectural drawing and photography (both professional and ama-teur) honorable mention according to merit. The awards will be made by a committee of gentlemen not members of the association, to be appointed by the president. Another feature will be the raffing of a number of paintings worth at 'east \$100 each. Every person having an admission ticket will be given a number which gives him or her a chance of getting free a fine work of set by a level artist.

work of art by a local artist. Votes will also be deposited for the most popular picture on exhibition and the picture receiving the most votes will be placarded as such and the artist awarded a handsome certificate of honorable mention.

A Tour of the Continent. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Rood have just returned from an extended pleasure trip abroad. They made the tour of Europe, visiting many places and cities of historic inter-Among these were Stratford-on-Avon, the tomb of Shakespeare, London, Paris, Nice, Marseilles, and from thence by the Mediterranean to Naples, Pompeil, Rome

and Venice.

They will make their home at the Paxton for a few weeks, and then go to Holly-Rood, their charming residence, where they will spend the summer months. It is said "See Raiy and then die," but the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Rood hope that many years of inhappiness and prosperity await them await them.

Modern Classical Art. A rare treat is proposed to the members of the Western Art association, in the lecture to be delivered Monday evening, the 25th inst., at the Lininger gallery. Miss S. Wool Moore, of the art department of the Nebraska University, will address the society on "Modern Classical Art." reputation of the lady as an art critic, and her position at the head of the art department at the state university, entitles her the attention of all our people interested is art matters. A full attendance of the mem

bers of the association, as well as their friends, is therefore anticipated. Dehorning.

A Kansas farmer says: "As soon as my calves begin to show horns, which is at about two weeks' old, I take a common carpenter's gouge, and placing the edge of the tool close to the calf's skull, with a light blow of a hammer on the handle of the gouge take the horn out never to show again."

This, says the Western Stockman, the most humane and successful way to dehorn next to breeding them off. ECHOES FROM THE ANTE-ROOM

Supreme Lodge A. O. U. W. to Meet in Omaha.

THE ALLEMANNEN CELEBRATION

Gossip and News of the Fraternities Council Bluffs Scottish Rite-Castle Hall Building Association Revives.

K. of P. "The board of directors of the Castle Hall Building association knew that the stringent times through which we have lately passed were not favorable to construction. well known Pythian, "but it is satisfied that a period of prosperity is with us, and active measures looking to the carrying out of the project are now under way." The gentleproject are now under way." The gentle on stock issued were in the safe keeping of Brother Erastus A. Benson, treasurer.

Here's a pretty how d'y do. One night ast week Good Samaritan had a candidate. but no chancellor commander or prelate. Oriole's candidate was unavoidably absent. What's to be done? Easy in Pythian circles. The vice chancellor and prelate of Oriole stepped forward and conferred the rank of knight on Candidate Edward R. Duffie. The damage was confined to the nerves of the novice.

A lodge of thirty members has been in

stituted at Loup City. The Washington Star has this item con-cerning General J. E. Smith, a former resi-dent of Omaha and member of Nebraska No. 1: "A day or two after the inauguration Vice President Morton, Hon. W. E. Mason, and General J. E. Smith were chatting to gether in an F-street car, when several ladies entered. One of them sat next to General Smith, and asked him if that gentleman, indicating Mr. Morton, was the vice president. Being answered in the affirmative, the lady continued: 'We are visitors, and would be delighted to shake hands with him. Won't you 'ask him!' Th eneral leaned over to the vice president an known the lady's wish. Instantly made known the lady's wish. Instantly, with the grace and gallantry by which Mr Morton is characterized, he arose and received the ladies as they were presented. The car being well filled with ladies, they all seized the opportunity, and our vice presi dent was surrounded by the fair ones claim ing the privilege, which was gracefully ac-corded. This is perhaps the first reception ever held on a street car. It is Vice Chancellor Baer, of Oriole. The

resignation of Brother R. D. A. Wade was the cause of this election.

A. O. U. W. It will be remembered that not long ago Union Pacific called on Council Bluffs brethren and that last week South Omaha No. 66 received the Omaha lodges. Both receptions were hearty and greatly appreciated by the Omaha Workmen. In order that the good feelings thus brought to the surface may not again seclude themselves, it was proposed by Union Pacific that the workmen of the Gate City bid those of Council Bluffs and South Omaha to a grand reunion in this city. suggestion met with cordial reception and the fraternity of the three cities will soon be

brought together as indicated. Union Pacific nearly doubled its member ship during last year and is now entitled to two representatives in the grand lodge. good deal of enthusiasm exists among the members and the spirit has spread beyond this one lodge and manifested itself in others, notably the rapidly growing lodge at South Omaha.

The annual meeting of the supreme lodge of the United States and Canada, beginning on the third Tuesday in June, will be in Omaha. There will be 100 representatives, but of course many friends prominent in the organization will largely swell the attend ance. The business to be transacted is that of general legislation. Ritualistic work and any other subject of general concern will receive attention at the hands of this supervis ory body. These annual conventions, it is stated, consume from six to ten days. The last session of the supreme lodge was at

A. F. & A. M. In the fair city of Beatrice Monday the rand lodge laid the corner stone of the Episcopal church. Deputy Grand Maste Mercer, assisted by Robert E. French, grand senior warden, Bishop Worthington and other dignituries of the church, were charged with the active responsibilities. The Freemasons, of Beatrice, escorted the grand lodge and Mount Hermon commandery, No. 7, rendered a like service to the entire battalion. The ceremonies were beautiful and

impressive in their simplicity.

The Consistory of Scottish Rite, Council Blufts, will work as a lodge of perfection Monday evening. There are a number of prominent Musons who will, on this evening, take the fourteenth degree. A number from various Iowa towns, besides visitors from Omaha, are expected. The event will be one special interest. There are now over sixty members, and the list embraces many well known names.

Modern Woodmen. The committee in charge of the matter of the sick benefit fund will report at the next

meeting. The past week witnessed a gathering of social members. The proceedings were in-teresting and included readings and good timely remarks by many of the brothers. A social with a ball and panquet will be early of realization.

Royal Arcanum. The mother council of this state, Pioneer No. 118, is in splendid condition and working well. It is in its twelfth year. The mee ings on the first and second Thursdays of the mouth, in Royal Arcanum hall on Doug-las street between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, are well attended, Thirty days after the death of Lawrence

Duggan \$3,000 were paid to his family. 1. O. F. Bohemian court, Jan Hus, had an encouraging meeting in National hall, at South Omaha. George Scitzer, D. G. C. R., says that at the next meeting, Tuesday, officers will be elected. Tweive new members were accepted, making thirty-four names on the

charter roll. James Pivonka was elected Allemannen todge, No. 8, to-morrow night, in Germania hall, will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary. The programme an-nounced calls for vocal and instrumental music, a ball and a banquet. Brother H. Bolln is master of ceremonies.

Kassidean Knights. St. James privor No. 5 will assemble in Kassidean hall at 7 o'clock sharp Tuesday night. All neophites, associates and knights are carnestly requested to be on hand for the ransaction of important business

V. A. S. There was a special meeting of this body in Woodmen's hall, at Council Bluffs, Wednesday. Dr. J. Hersley, head physician, addressed the members on fraternal mat-ters. His scholarly and appropriate remarks pleased his numerous hearers.

Royal Arcanum. Pioneer Council No. 118 held a very in teresting session last Wednesday evening and is growing in interest and numbers. This council was instituted July, 1878, the third death of the council was Duggan, who died on January 20, 1889. benefit certificate of \$3,000 was paid to his widow fourteen days after the proper papers had been sent to the supreme secretary. The Arcanum pays all death benefits promptly and in full.

She Forgave Him. A clergyman of this city, says the

Boston Commonwealth, was out on his pastoral rounds one day, when an un-regenerate child of the street, playing in a sand heap, threw sand at the parson. The next day two small children, a boy and a girl, presented themselves at his door. He let them in, and the little man said: "Please, Mr. Minister, this is my little sister that threw the dirt on you yes'day, an' she's come to say she'll forgive you." And the parson was glad.

DANTE'S CURSE.

Has it Really Begun to Light Upon the House of Hapsburg? The late terrible event in Vienns says a writer in the Boston Transcript, the death of young Rudolph, the crown prince, whether by his own hand or another's, might lead a superstitutious mind to feel as though the terrible im-precation of Dante, 600 years after its

utterance, had begun to light upon the

house of Hapsburg.

The emperor of this house who bore the name of Rudolph, the direct ancestor of this young victim, either of his vices or his misfortunes, was the one whom Dante mentions in the seventh canto of the "Purgatorio," in a very celebrated passage, which, to make ou comments more intelligible, we will quote somewhat at length from Dr. Parson's translation. We are so far removed from the scene of this catas trobhe that any comments of ours could hardly be suppose to awaken a pang in any private bosom, and the historical facts of the "Divine Comedy," as well as the great poem itself, are so well known in Germany that it would hardly be necessary there to touch upon a reminiscence which may be new and

perhaps interesting in Boston. It may be necessary to premise to one not familiar with the history of the age preceding Dante that all Italy was divided and sub-divided into little states. some republican, some aristocratic, and countless fiefs, each with its own little tyrant. The plays of Shakespeare have sufficiently acquainted the English reader with the intestine broils of the ittle states of Sienna, and Florence and erona. It was the deep desire of Dante's heart that the German emperor should step in with a high hand and make a stable government. He compares his beloved Italy to a restive steed that needs the taming of a strong and skillful master. He wanted the pope to mind his own spiritual affairs

and leave to Cæsar what was Cæsar's.

In the seventh canto of the "Purgatorio," Sordelle, a countryman of Virgil a man of Mantua, points out to the two poets whom he is guiding a group of very distinguished personages. He conducts Virgil and Dante to a retired place allotted to those spirits who have neglected their opportunities, saying hese words: Best then we think of some good resting

Some souls there be removed here to the Whom, if thou wilt, I'll show thee face to

Accordingly he leads them farther on

to where ----on the mountain side valley opened just like valleys here.

. . . . . . . . Gold and fine silver, ceruse, cochineal, Or glow that emerald's freshly broke reveal. Had all been vanquished by the varied sheen, Or this bright valley, set with shrubs and

flowers, As less by greater. Nor had Nature there only in painting spent herself, but showers Of odors manifold made sweet the air With one strange mingling of confused perfume; And there new spirits, chanting, I des

cried, "Salve Regina!" scated on the bloom And verdure sheltered by the dingle side After this delicious description, Sordello continues thus:

Ere you low sun shall nestle in his bod (Began the Mantuan who had brought us here), Desire not down among them to be led. You better will observe how they appear, Both face and action, from this bank, instead Of mixing with them in the dale. That

one
Who sits the highest, looking mid the throng
As though some duty he had left undone,
Who moves his lups not with the rest in song. Was Rodolph emperor, he who might have Those wounds which Italy have so far spent, That slow relief all other helpers yield. There is an implied touch in this passage resembling that in Matbeth, where

he says "I could not say 'Amen' when they did say 'God bless us!' \* \* I had most need of blessing, and 'Amen' stuck in my throat." One might almost suppose that Shakspeare was familiar with this passage in "Purgatorio." Chaucer was inti-mately acquainted with Dante, and it is

barely possible that Shakspeare may have read this line. Rodolph, like Macbeth, had need enough of a blessing but he had neglected his duty, and when the others did sing "Salve Re-ina" he could not move his lips with When these verses were written Ro dolph was dead and his son Albert filled the imperial seat. In the imme

diately preceding canto (the sixth) Dante addresses the living Albert in a burst of indignant invective, which for its prolonged power and bitterness, is thought by some German critics to have no parallel in poetry. The late King John of Saxony, who has translated the "Divine Comedy," expressed this opinion to an eminent scholar of this city. "There is nothing in Homer, nothing in Æschylus, nothing in Shakspeare to equal it in its heartfelt fury. Cicero or Demosthenese has nothing more bitter. For a strain of equal force we can onl look to the ancient prophets, to Ezekiel to Isaiah, to the Psalms of David, or whoever wrote them. The superiority of Dante over Shakspeare lies in this, S. Moret.

that he is not speaking in a fiction-in a dream of passion—but is pouring forth the real indignation of his overcharged bosom. It is not an imaginary character uttering imaginary sentiments, but a real man writing, in the highest language of poetry, the deepest feelings of his heart.

O German Albert! who abandonest Her, now run wild, unchecked by curb of thine,
When thou shouldst ride her with thy heels

hard pressed, May heaven's first judgment light upon thy line,
And be it something strange and manifest,
To make him tremble that comes after

To make him tremble that comes after thee,

Because, for lust of barren fiefs out there,
Thou and thy father have not shamed to see
The empire's garden desolate and bare.
Come, see the Capulets and Montagues,
Monaldi and Filippeschi, O thou being
Without concern't these wan with fears,
and those

and those Already crushed: come, sate thyself with seeing,
Thou cruel man, the outrage that is done
To thy best blood, and make their bruises

well! And thou shall see, too, thou cold looker; on, Santaflore's lords how safe they dwell. Come, see thy Rome, that mourning all alone,

Weepeth a widow, calling day and night, "Why, O my Cæsar, dost theu leave thine Come, see what love there-how all hearts

unite!
And if uo pity move thee at our moan,
Blush for thy fame beholding such a sight.
And, lawful if I speak, O most high Jove,
Who wast for our sake crucified on earth,
Are thy just eyes, who watchest men above, Turned elsewhere? Or is this before the

birth
Of some great good, a preparation hid
From us in the abyss of thy intent,
That all the Italian towns are tyrant-rid, And every clown that comes on faction be Makes as much clamor as Marcellus did

The Strawberry Farmer's Market. B. F. Smith in his forthcoming manual makes the following suggestions to strawberry farmers: The nearer the berries can be grown to the consumer the more profitable will be the crop. The man who contemplates going into berry culture should first consider well the locality before he begins his berry farming. Our great market centers are not the surest places for the best prices. Being great markets, they are often glutted with the products of many miles

around. While berries will always sell

for something in a large city, they will

command better prices when grown near by or shipped to the smaller cities and towns of our country. When grown near a county town market the grower can save the expense of freight and the commission for selling, which is no small item. Almost every town in the country with a population of from 5,000 to 10,000 inhabitants can consume the product of from ten to fifteen acres of strawberries, and a city of 20,000 to 30,000 people ought to con-sume the product of at least fifty acres

The Culture of Oats. In the course of a paper read by Hon. S. B. Farwell before the Osborn County (Kan.) Farmers' institute recently, he said that from his experience in raising oats he had drawn the following conclusions:

when fully supplied.

That oats are a profitable crop to raise. That with good seed and proper cultivation they will never be a total failure. That the best manner to put them in is either on fall plowing or clean corn ground and then with a drill, and not less than two bushels of seeds per acre-two and one half is better. Cultivating them in is the next best way if ground is clean. If ground is foul, plowing them in shallow and a favorable spring will bring a good crop. Broadcast seeding and harrowing them in is the poorest way to put them in. I am not satisfied which is the better seed. I have had about equal success with the Red Texas and the Black Winter oats; oats. Be sure to put on plenty of seed. Of the Black oats, from one and onehalf to two and one-half bushels is not too much. One-half bashel per acre less can safely be used with a drill than when sowing broadcast.

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